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SUBJ: CHINESE ATTITUDES ON KHMER ISSUE

1. MINISTER OHTAKA (JAPAN) TOLD POLCOUNS DEC 6 THAT FOLLOWING DEFEAT OF PRC-SPONSORED EFFORT TO TRANSFER CAMBODIAN UN SEAT FROM GRK TO GRUNK, CHINESE OFFICERS IN NEW YORK HAD SEEMED TO MAKE POINT OF GREETING MEMBERS OF JAPANESE MISSION WITH COURTEOUS SMILES AND COMPLETE LACK OF RANCOR. OHTAKA TERMED THIS "ORIENTAL STYLE OF ACCEPTING DEFEAT" AND CONJECTURED THAT PRC NOT REALLY VERY DISAPPOINTED BY OUTCOME KHMER ISSUE.

2. OHTAKA ADDED THAT JAPANESE MISSION IN PEKING HAD, FOLLOWING VOTE TO DEFER KHMER ISSUE, BEEN TOLD BY SENIOR PRC OFFICIAL THAT OUTCOME OF ISSUE AND FACT JAPANESE AND CHINESE ON OPPOSITE SIDES WOULD NOT AFFECT SINO-JAPANESE RELATIONS IN ANY WAY. CHINESE OFFICIAL HAD GONE ON TO SAY IN THIS CONTEXT THAT, WITH AMERICANS WITHDRAWING FROM ASIA, IT NECESSARY TO BE ESPECIALLY ALERT TO MACHINATIONS OF SOVIETS.

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3. WITH WRY SMILE, OHTAKA REPORTED THAT JAPANESE AMB SAITO HAD SCHEDULED DEC 5 RECEPTION HONORING VISITING JAPANESE PRINCE AT TIME WHEN REPRESENTATION ISSUE EXPECTED TO COME TO CRUNCH DEC 6. APPARENTLY FEELING OBLIGED TO STAY CLOSE TO ACTION IN GA PLENARY, MOST PERM REPS REPRESENTED AT SAITO RECEPTION BY THEIR WIVES. ONLY PERMREP TO TURN OUT PERSONALLY TO MEET ROYAL PRINCE WAS AMB MALIK (USSR).
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